

The historians who write the annals of this country for the thirty-two years from Lincoln's inaugural to Harrison's inaugural may divide the era into three great epochs: Five years of war, ten years of reconstruction and seventeen years of contradictory bulletins about Blaine's health.

The snub administered to Speaker Crisp by the leaders of the Reform Club dinner in New York has already become an irritating issue between the friends of the Speaker and the partisans of the President-elect. From the muted threats of revenge which are already in the air it is not unlikely that the Reform Club snub may thunder down the ages as one of the sort that kick backward.

The New York Evening Post says: One of the chief duties imposed upon the Democratic party by the result of the recent election is a thorough overhauling of the pension system and a purging of the pension roll from the load of corruption it now carries. This is a job of National house-clearing which has already been neglected far too long, and which now imperatively demands the earliest possible attention.

To the question whether the Democratic party has come into power, to stay, ex-Senator Coolidge responds in the affirmative, but with the cautious qualification that "the party leaders during the next four years must make a just solution of the tariff and money question." This renders his opinion rather droll and altogether a airy nothing. It is apparent, before business begins, that the Democratic party lacks the capacity to work a just solution of any great question.

Yung Wung, formerly Commissioner of Education for the Chinese Government, takes upon himself to threaten that "Protection will be withdrawn from the 1,500 American merchants and the several hundred missionaries now in China if this Government does not repeal the Chinese Exclusion Act. We wonder whether it ever occurred to him to speculate upon what might happen to the hosts of Chinese in this country in such an eventuality.

The Civil Service Commission recommends as an effectual way to break up the business of making political assessments in every or any campaign the utmost publicity. Certainly that would be a capital way. It's as good as the old recipe for catching birds by putting salt off their tails. What Government employes dare give an assessment away in the midst of a campaign, and what campaign committee was ever fool enough to publish its own business, when it was in business?

Last June the pension roll numbered 876,068 names. It is estimated that at least 40 per cent. of these names ought not to be on the list; still it is predicted that unless some steps are speedily taken the enormous list will be increased sufficiently to make the roll number a round million. The Times-Star says the business of weeding out and exposing the wealthy and fraudulent pensioners ought to be begun at once. To begin with, let the list be published so that every pensioner in every locality can be known.

The President struck a popular chord when he said in his last message:

We have, I think, a right and owe a duty to our own people and especially to our working people, not only to keep out the vicious, the ignorant, the civil disturber, the pauper and the contract laborer, but to check the too great a flow of immigration now coming by further limitations.

If the country would be true to the interests of the laborer it cannot allow a continuation of the miscellaneous influx of European hordes, the inevitable result of which is a fierce competition with American labor. The poor sewing-girls of New York have already felt this competition in cold and hunger.



Andrew Daulton is visiting relatives at Newport.

James Hise of Winchester is visiting M. C. Russell.

Colonel E. P. Forman spent Christmas in Lewis county.

Daniel Rice of Cincinnati is on a visit to his old home here.

Dr. W. F. Honan of Brooklyn is on a visit to his old home.

Garrett B. Wall of Ashland spent Christmas in this city.

Mrs. M. H. Davis of Mayslick is visiting her parents at Paris.

Miss Alma Osborne of Tuckahoe has been visiting at Augusta.

Louis Zech of New York is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Carrie L. Davis has returned from an inspection tour of the W. R. C.

Robert Toup of Cincinnati is spending the holidays at his home in this city.

Miss Kate Underwood of Delaware, O., will soon enter school in this city.

Misses Elizabeth Power and Louie Bruer are guests of Mrs. H. A. Power at Paris.

Miss Lizzie Sudduth came from Springfield, Ill., to remain home during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cochran are spending Christmas with the latter's parents at Danville.

Rev. C. S. Lucas left yesterday morning for his new field of labor at Allegheny, Pa.

Captain A. C. Respass came from the East to remain with his family during the holidays.

Mrs. S. B. Poyntz leaves to-day for Florida, to remain for the winter with her sons at Orlando.

Miss Sadie Clay has returned to her home near Mayslick from a visit in Bourbon county.

Miss Maggie R. Kelly of Winchester, O., is visiting Mrs. Lizzie Smithers of East Fourth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Slack of Bristol, Tenn., spent Christmas with the family of Mrs. Slack in this city.

Thomas McNamara, who has been attending the College of Pharmacy at Louisville, is at home for a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Payton of Resville, O., are spending Christmas with his sister, Mrs. James Austin of Forest avenue.

Charles M. Gilpin, after an absence of twenty-two years, of Marshall, Mo., is here on a visit to his friend, M. C. Russell.

Miss Lizzie Best is home from school at Millersburg to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Best.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schaeffer and little daughter, Christine, are spending the holidays with relatives at Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati.

Captain James Davis, the veteran stage-driver of Bath county, will soon be the guest of his brother, Captain Joseph A. Davis of the Fifth Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Held and children and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Glani and children of Newport and Elmer E. Nicholson of Canton, O., are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Nicholson.

Congressman Thomas H. Paynter arrived in Maysville last night. He has but recently returned from Hot Springs. He was immediately surrounded by a horde of ravenous office grabbers. The poor man could not eat his supper for them. If he gets out of Maysville in full possession of his mental faculties it will be miraculous.

SENATOR ALLISON, Senator Morgan and Secretary Hale, members of the delegation which represented the United States at the Brussels Monetary Conference, embarked for New York on the steamship Lake at Southampton Wednesday.

It was too cold for the boys to do much outside celebrating.

The snow added much to the Christmas like appearance of things.

SAMPSON RICHARDS, aged 93, a pioneer of Adams county, died at Winchester.

D. W. REED of Paris has purchased 30,000 pounds of tobacco at an average of 104.

H. D. BRYENSDORFER, formerly of Ripley, will edit The Peebles Press after January 1st.

COL. T. T. MILBURN of Winchester has the contract to build the new Courthouse at Salsersville.

O. C. PHILIPS and Miss Lida Shay, Rowan county schoolteachers, married at Morehead Saturday.

G. W. OWENS of Louisville got a Christmas gift. He married Miss Mattie Bosler of Covington.

ATTENTION of our colored readers is directed to notices under heading "Personal" in another column.

JOSEPH AMON, aged 25, while climbing a gas stack at Ashland Furnace, fell eighteen feet and will die.

JOSEPH FRYMER, section boss on the K. C., lost his house by fire at Shawhan. D. f. Loss \$1,000; no insurance.

MARTHA ROBERTS of Carter county is in jail at Mt. Sterling for sending threatening letters through the mails.

A BLAZE in the kitchen of Henry Otto's residence on Vine street caused much alarm Saturday and but little damage.

TRINITY COMMANDERY, K. T., distributed fifty large baskets of provisions to the poor of Cincinnati on Christmas Day.

PAUL ZACHAR, a festive piano drummer, joined the Baptist choir at Bowling Green, and after cashing a lot of bogus checks he lit out.

THE marriage of Alex Conner and Miss Cora McKee will take place at the Christian Church in Owingsville Wednesday evening, January 4th.

MRS. HANNAH MOBERLY, aged 85, died at Harrodsburg. She was a sister of the late Hon. Beriah Magoffin, and widow of Colonel William Moberly.

BOURBON county tobacco sold well in Louisville last week. Eight hds. new leaf, logs and trash from \$7 to \$16 75, and ten hds. at \$8 to 13 25.

A GANG of toughs undertook to break up a school entertainment in Menifee county. It took three doctors to patch up the holes in the sonsofguns.

D. A. FITZPATRICK, a few years ago the leading merchant tailor of Cincinnati, died at Good Samaritan Hospital Saturday. Whisky has made a mental and physical wreck of the once respected citizen.

C. C. LEON, the scene painter who eloped from Millersburg with pretty sixteen-year-old Mary Craig, was arrested at Falmouth and taken to Paris for trial for abduction, and was discharged. Leon said he had married the girl in Cincinnati.

GEORGE W. WILSON, a long-while ago foreman of the Excelsior Printing Works of this city, has THE LEDGER's thanks for a handsome copy of Dixie, the leading industrial journal of the South. It is printed at Atlanta, and its handsome typography bears the finger-marks of George.

SOMEBODY of somewhere has an attachment belonging to a Warner elevator lying in the Postoffice awaiting identification. It came in Saturday shorn of its original direction. If it belongs to any of the Warner elevators in this city the owner will please call at the Postoffice and get it.

THE Postoffice force was pretty well tucked out at the close of business Saturday night. Keeping the office open till 9 o'clock in the evening afforded many persons opportunity to send packages, and they were prompt to avail themselves of it. Going and coming, there was about a carload of boxes and bundles and packages handled by the Maysville office during the three days before Christmas.

DAN SCRIBNER, the Bourbon county bunkoist, has been identified positively as the man who beat a Jessamine county hayseed out of \$5,000 a few months ago. It's awful to think there are so many dampfools living. THE LEDGER is in favor of giving the bunkoist his freedom and the money. It was a case of greed on the part of the mosebacks. If they had swindled the bunkoist they never would have made a fuss about it, and it would have been all right. Nor would the bunkoist have offered any reward for the recovery of the money. Gamblers don't do business that way. It's only the "goody-good" folks who try to get something, and who generally get left.



He told her the old, old story, That night ere he left her side, While the curtain hid for a little space The villain, the hero and bride.

Through the dim-lit theater soft was heard, The orchestra's soulful wail, Her heart was turned to the music sweep, His face with desire was pale.

Now drew his lips to her dainty ear, She turned with a conscious smile— "To go to speak to a man," he said, "I'll be back in a little while."

ISAAC J. COMPTON died at Ashland, aged 57.

C. W. SPARKS is now proprietor of the Mt. Olivet Hotel.

MELROY COPLEY married Miss Laura Endicott at Louisville.

GEORGE STRAUBACH died at Blue-lick Springs, aged 55.

COVINGTON's expenses for relief to her poor amounts to about \$16,000 a year.

JAMES COBURN of Charleston, died from dr.ink and exposure at Huntington.

WILLIAM SCOTT and Miss Sarah Hammonds married at Ashland Sunday morning.

GARRETT DAYTON of Hutchinson and Miss Lucy B. Thomas married at North Middletown.

DAVID EVANS, a faithful engineer of the C. and O., married Miss Susie Pearce at Covington.

THE trial by jury is to be curtailed, or perhaps entirely abolished, by the Indian Government.

DR. W. F. LONG of Madisonville was struck by a train near Nashville and died from his injuries.

THERE were only thirty-five registered packages received at the Postoffice in one mail yesterday.

WILLIE ORT, while coasting at Ironton, was thrown down and got a bad cut over the eye. Not dangerous.

A TEMPORARY injunction has been granted to stop operations of the Phoenix Powder Mill near Kenova, W. Va.

G. W. ERION, now of Paris, formerly of Germantown, married Miss Sallie De Jarnett at the Palace Hotel, Cincinnati.

FELIX GARRED of Lawrence county died in Missouri. His remains were interred at his old home, eight miles from Louisville.

MRS. EDWIN L. THOMPSON died at Paris. She was only married a week ago, her husband having traveled 3,000 miles to wed her. She was a belle of the city, and her death was a great shock to every one.

SUNDAY evening Early Worick was returning from a visit to his best girl, when the horse led him against a stout limb. He got a severe bruise on the cheek and a slight one on the nose. He doesn't Sleemore.

AN interesting feature in connection with the new dam being built across the Big Sandy at Louisa is that it is the first needle dam ever built in the United States, and that it is two feet higher than any other similar dam in the world.

JOHN KINMAN, aged 23, farmer, from Derama, this state, was in Cincinnati Saturday buying Christmas presents for his wife and baby. In trying to get on a train, with his arms full of trinkets, he fell, was run over and had both legs cut off. Will die.

W. B. CATCHINGS and Vincent Boring of London, and F. S. Smith of Washington, who are on the bonds of several star route contractors of Kentucky, are the successful bidders on over 900 star routes for the Eastern section, which were let the other day.

CHARLES A. TAYLOR of Owen county went over to Cincinnati and tanked up on that city's mean whisky. Then he hunted for some fun. Going into a drug-store he swiped a lot of bric-a-brac on the floor, and soon an officer had him in a patrol wagon.

FOR the championship of the South, why not Center College Football Team challenge the University of Virginia and have the battle royal at Maysville. The railroad would give each club an easy trip, and at the same time have something like a \$1,000 crowd.

A SON of William H. Sparks, living near Springdale, has presented the Editor with a gavel made from wood of the old Libby Prison at Richmond, Va. It is in the rough, and for that reason the more appropriate, for Libby was decidedly a rough place for the unfortunate Union soldiers who were imprisoned there.

JOHN WHITE and George Mason, both colored, procured \$16 on a forged check at Harrodsburg. They were arrested.

THE M. B. Frisbie hit a bridge pier at Bellaire with a barge of fire brick. Both barge and pier are still there.

GALBREATH BROS. have sold the Augusta and Mt. Olivet bus line to Richard and Claude Linville of the latter place, who assumed management.

JOHN COX, Marshal of Lamasco, was shot and killed by Charles Johnson Saturday night at a festival Johnson was noisy and the Marshal tried to quiet him.

At Middlesborough a negro desperado, known as "Red Mountain Kid," shot and killed a white man, William Burnett. The murder was unprovoked. The negro was arrested.

WILLIAM M. McNAMARA, ex-keeper of the New York Tombs, who let his prisoner, Dick Kyle the forger, escape some days ago, has been arrested and placed under \$3,000 bonds to answer.

THE new Constitution makes it obligatory on the Sheriff to advertise and sell property on which taxes are not paid by County Court Day in January. He has no option in this matter and is compelled to obey the law.

W. C. PAYNE, the hustling Adams Express Agent, bears cheerful testimony to the efficiency of the Free Mail Delivery of the Postoffice. He says it was an invaluable aid in notifying persons to call at the Express office for packages.

THE Sunday-school entertainment at the Christian Church last night was quite a success. It consisted of music and stereopticon views by Professor C. C. Cline of Cincinnati and was very enjoyable. About \$50 was realized.

THE children of the First Presbyterian Church Sunday-school had a real Santa Claus, chimney, fire place and all Saturday night. Old Santa, in the person of H. C. Curran, made the descent of the chimney and distributed the good things.

THE Herald is preparing an immense industrial edition of that excellent paper. It will be a "write up" of Huntington's enterprising business, and the literary part of the work will be by Will B. Tomlinson—a guarantee that it will be done well.

THE audience at the Opera-house Saturday night soon thought they had made a mistake. They were of opinion that they had struck a "cold storage" establishment instead of the play-house. No wonder the actors tried to warm their hands over the footlights!

FORMAN BROOKS SMITH, aged 4 years, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Smith, died at the home of its parents on Forest avenue yesterday morning. The little one was never strong. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence. Much sympathy is extended the bereaved parents.

JUDGE THOMAS R. PRISTER entertained his official household at supper last night at his residence. Those present were: Sheriff J. W. Alexander, Deputy Sheriff Samuel Perrine, Jailor R. C. Kirk, County Attorney C. D. Newell, Deputy Clerk John C. Lovel, Deputy Clerk T. D. Slatery, Clerk of Quarterly Court C. M. Phister and Adna A. Wadsworth.

THERE is a rumor that seems well grounded that the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad will embark in the steamboat business in the near future, putting in a line between Cincinnati and Charleston, W. Va. It is claimed, by way of exclamation, that the C. and O. people are getting the worst end of the fight between the Bay Line and the Big Sandy Line in the way of rates, and they hope to restore things to their former condition by reducing the rates still lower, and carrying such freight as they do not wish to take by rail on their steamer.

Death of Duke Hill.

Duke Hill, whom almost every man in Maysville knew, died Sunday morning at Lexington. He was the eldest son of the late Charles B. Hill, and was about 38 years old.

The funeral will occur at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning from the home of his mother at the Hill House.

His misfortune and untimely taking off are to be regretted.

Freeze Out.

"A Social Session" played to a small audience at the Opera-house Saturday night. As played it was an inferior production, but the actors should be given the benefit of existing conditions. The building was cold enough to have frozen all the talent out of them which they might have possessed. The spectators huddled together and shivered like so many sheep. Many left the house, unable to stand the torture. The performers and musicians suffered intensely. The latter were good. One thing was made evident—they either need a new heating apparatus or a new Stroman at the Opera-house.

In order that the readers of THE LEDGER may have some diversion with which to occupy their minds, and desiring at the same time to attract public attention to our new paper, we have concluded to propose a guessing contest, and hope that our subscribers and readers may become interested in our effort to afford amusement.

Public interest during the next few weeks will be more centralized in the ensuing city election than in any other local matter, and we have, therefore, selected that as the basis of our guessing contest.

We have selected as the races to be guessed upon these three: City Marshal, Collector and Treasurer and Assessor, for the reason that they seem to be the most complicated, and more interest will probably be manifested to them, as there are three or more candidates for each office. The outcome in these contests will be harder to anticipate, and, therefore, our scheme will prove the more interesting.

For the office of City Marshal there are six candidates announced, as follows: M. E. McKellip, E. W. Fitzgerald, John W. Alexander, John V. Day, James Redmond and W. B. Dawson.

For Collector and Treasurer there are two contestants: James W. Fitzgerald and Horatio Picklin.

Also three for Assessor: Charles D. Shepard, Fred W. Bauer and John Walsh.

There are 1,422 votes registered. We propose to give in prizes \$17 50 in gold, as follows:

The first prize of \$10 in gold will be given to the first person who names the winner in each contest and also guesses nearest to the exact number of votes received by each.

A second prize of \$5 in gold will be given to the person making the next best guess.

A third prize of \$2 50 in gold will be given to the person making the third best guess.

In making guesses the following rules must be observed:

First—All guesses must be made out on the following form cut from THE LEDGER and forwarded by mail or handed in person to this office.

Second—Guesses must be made in each of the three contests in order to receive consideration.

Third—Your name and Postoffice address must be signed at the bottom of your guess.

In awarding the second and third prizes no account of the time they are received will be taken into consideration. These prizes will be given to those entitled to them by reason of their guesses, no matter at what time said guesses are received.

All guesses must be made so that they will reach this office by 5 o'clock p. m. on Saturday, December 31st, 1892.

Any one, man, woman or child, can guess. Fill out this blank as indicated and cut it out and forward by mail to PUBLIC LEDGER, Maysville, Ky., or hand in person to this office.

I PREDICT THAT

..... WILL BE ELECTED MARSHAL.

Receiving..... votes.

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Receiving..... votes.

I PREDICT THAT

..... WILL BE ELECTED ASSESSOR.

Receiving..... votes.

(Signed).....

The regular meeting of Pisgah Encampment, I. O. O. F., took place last night, when the following officers were chosen:

C. P.—Allen A. Edmonds.  
S. W.—George H. Frank.  
R. P.—Thomas P. Boyce.  
J. W.—Fred Bertram.  
Scribe—Byron Rudy.  
Treasurer—James Smith.  
Finance Committee—W. B. Pecor, W. T. Cole, Fred Bertram.  
Trustees—R. A. Cochran, James Smith, J. F. Barbour.

All Along the Line

is heard praise of Dr. Hale's Household Ointment. Mrs. I. S. Jacobs of Farmington, Maine, writes that she suffered five years with varicose veins and two running sores on her leg, and was completely cured by its use. D. S. Filley, Salisbury, Vt., writes: "We cannot live without it; it relieves my sister of asthma at once; it cures a burn or hurt of any kind almost instantly." Under date of May 30th, 1893, R. H. Simpson, Leroy, N. Y., writes: "I used Hale's Ointment for rheumatism three years ago and have not been troubled since. It is the finest ointment in the world for general use." 25c. and 50c. per box. For sale by Power & Reynolds.

Closed for the Holidays.

The Misses Young gave another of their pleasant entertainments in their usual and happy manner on Friday morning, December 23d.

The program consisted of songs, recitations and instrumental solos, and each one after completing their part, wreathed with smiles, took his or her seat amid the applause of the spectators. They reflected credit on the highly accomplished and gifted teacher.

Miss Nettie Roe deserves special mention in the rendition of a beautiful and original poem, "No One Has Ever Worn the Crown of Laurels Without First Having Worn the Crown of Thorns."

Then with wishes of a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, they dispersed.